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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market on retail sized hens and toms was steady. Offerings were generally adequate for the lackadaisical buyer interest. Bulk meats and parts activity was quiet. The undertone was steady at best with the exception of hen v-type wings which continued strong.



### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading centered on a moderate volume of frozen thigh meat. Asking prices for thigh meat varied greatly, depending on destination.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JULY 23, 2002**

#### CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

#### FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

#### OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

|                   | OFFERS | SALES | WTD<br>AVG | VOLUME<br>(000) | WTD<br>AVG | VOLUME<br>(000) | DEL.<br>PER | VOLUME<br>(000) | DEL.<br>PER |
|-------------------|--------|-------|------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 8-16 LB HENS      |        |       |            |                 |            |                 |             |                 |             |
| EASTERN REGION 3/ | 66-67  | 66    | 66.00      | 160             | -          | -               | -           | -               | -           |
| CENTRAL REGION 4/ | 65-66  | -     | -          | -               | -          | -               | -           | -               | -           |
| WESTERN REGION 5/ | 65-67  | -     | -          | -               | -          | -               | -           | -               | -           |
| 16-24 LB TOMS     |        |       |            |                 |            |                 |             |                 |             |
| EASTERN REGION 3/ | 60-61  | 60    | 60.00      | 40              | -          | -               | -           | -               | -           |
| CENTRAL REGION 4/ | 59-60  | -     | -          | -               | -          | -               | -           | -               | -           |
| WESTERN REGION 5/ | 59-61  | -     | -          | -               | -          | -               | -           | -               | -           |

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| WESTERN REGION 5/ | 59-61  | -     | -          | -               | -          | -               | -           | -               | -           |

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 23 JULY 2002.

Tom bulk parts trade sentiment was steady at best on drums with some hoping that they may have found a floor, balance steady to barely steady. Demand on tom drums was fair to good, best into export channels. The demand on the balance of tom bulk parts was light. Offerings adequate to ample. Hen bulk parts trade sentiment was firm on 2-joints, balance about steady. Demand light. Offerings of hen 2-joint wings limited, balance light to adequate. Trading centered on a heavy volume of fresh mechanically separated turkey for domestic shipments and on a moderate volume of tom drums for export, balance light. Grade A non-basted 16-18 lb. breasts traded at 105 cents delivered.

| DOMESTIC TRADING                  | PRICE<br>RANGE | L.S.T.<br>CODE 1/ | WTD AVG<br>PRICE | VOLUME<br>(000) |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/       |                | F                 | 96.00            | 1,000           |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/ |                | R                 | 154.00           | 10              |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/   |                | F                 | 91.00            | 240             |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM                   |                | F                 | 18.26            | 432             |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH             |                | F                 | 20.00            | 51              |
| DRUMSTICKS, HEN                   |                | F                 | 21.00            | 40              |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM              |                | F                 | 21.30            | 166             |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN              | 22.00          |                   | 22.00            | 40              |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM                |                | M                 | 28.50            | 160             |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN                |                | M                 | 55.00            | 40              |
| NECKS, TOM                        |                | F                 | 14.45            | 141             |
| NECKS, HEN                        |                |                   |                  |                 |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/              |                |                   |                  |                 |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/        | 154.00-158.00  |                   | 157.00           | 160             |
| THIGH MEAT                        |                | F                 | 49.00            | 14              |
| THIGH MEAT—FRESH                  |                |                   |                  |                 |
| BREAST TRIM MEAT                  |                | F                 | 84.50            | 80              |
| SCAPULA MEAT                      |                | F                 | 77.25            | 80              |
| TENDERLOINS                       |                | F                 | 120.00           | 16              |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS                | 115.00         |                   | 115.00           | 40              |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH          |                | M                 | 133.00           | 80              |
| WING MEAT WITH SKIN               |                | M                 | 59.00            | 40              |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/         |                | M                 | 17.50            | 40              |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/   | 17.00-18.00    |                   | 17.95            | 880             |

#### EXPORT TRADING

|                           |       |   |       |     |
|---------------------------|-------|---|-------|-----|
| DRUMSTICKS, TOMS          | 20.00 |   | 20.00 | 520 |
| WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS     |       | R | 19.50 | 40  |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM        |       | F | 27.00 | 52  |
| TAILS                     | 15.00 |   | 15.00 | 240 |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ |       | F | 18.67 | 60  |
| THIGH MEAT - FROZEN       | 50.00 |   | 50.00 | 80  |

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins. 4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

|                              | RANGE |
|------------------------------|-------|
| FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#   | 96    |
| FRESH Y TOMS 14-24#          | 96    |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#  | 71    |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24# | 66    |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28# | 68-72 |

#### SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

|                              | RANGE   |
|------------------------------|---------|
| TURKEYS Y HENS               | 89-119  |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#     | 89-119  |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#        | 85-105  |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#        | 84-105  |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER | 102-105 |

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The limited domestic activity continued selective at generally steady prices. Light volumes of fresh and frozen grade A 4-8 lb breasts, mechanically separated turkey and spot loads of parts moved at steady levels. Export inquiry improved as progress was made towards developing a new veterinary certificate for U.S. poultry exports to Russia.

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|-----------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/       | 95.00          |                   | 95.00            | 40              |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/ | 156.00         |                   | 156.00           | 20              |
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| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/   | 19.00          |                   | 19.00            | 80              |

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#### **BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 07/24/02**

| POULTRY HEALTH BOARD | ACCUMULATED |        |        |
|----------------------|-------------|--------|--------|
| SEASON               | HEAVY       | HEAVY  | ALL    |
| JULY 1 TO JUNE 30    | WHITE       | WHITES | BREEDS |
| 2002-2003            | -           | 36,854 | 36,854 |
| 2001-2002            | 44,433      | 62,225 | 62,225 |